

**AGENDA**  
**CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD**  
**Tuesday, September 18, 2007 at 1:30 PM**  
Department of Public Health Complex  
410 Capitol Avenue, Hartford Connecticut  
**Conference Room A/B - Building 470**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**I. MINUTES**

Review and approval of the minutes from the August 28, 2007 meeting.

**II. UPDATES**

- A. Chair Updates
- B. Information Update - Department of Public Health
- C. Legislative Update  
*Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, Department of Public Health*
- D. Information Update - Connecticut State Medical Society

**III. NEW BUSINESS**

Residency Equivalency Determination - Antonios Arvelakis, MD  
*Maritsa Morales, Licensing and Applications Analyst*

**IV. LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS**

- A. Robert Golenbock, MD – Petition No. 2004-1112-001-256  
Motion to Withdraw Statement of Charges subsequent to pre-hearing conference  
*David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Legal Office, DPH*
- B. Nandini Kohegar, MD – Petition No. 2005-0722-001-189  
Motion to Withdraw Statement of Charges subsequent to pre-hearing conference  
*David Tilles, Staff Attorney, Legal Office, DPH*

**V. 120 Day Extensions**

- M. Albini, (unlicensed)
- J. Mershon (unlicensed)
- C. Jones, MD (2004-0917-001-221)
- C. Jones, MD (2006-0111-001-010)

**VI. ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS**

**ADJOURN**

The following minutes are draft minutes which are subject to revision and which have not yet been adopted by the Board.

**CONNECTICUT MEDICAL EXAMINING BOARD**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**August 28, 2007**

The Connecticut Medical Examining Board held a meeting on Tuesday, August 28, 2007 at the Department of Public Health Complex, 410 Capitol Avenue, Conference Room A/B, Building 470, Hartford, Connecticut.

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***BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:***

Dennis G. O'Neill, MD, Chairman  
Martin Courneen  
Anne Doremus  
Michael Erickson  
David M. Goldenberg, MD  
Patricia Loving, PA  
Velandy Manohar, MD  
George Terranova, MD  
Susan Wernick  
C. Steven Wolf, MD

***BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT***

Richard Bridburg, MD  
Robert Fuller, MD  
Steven Hanks, MD  
Regina Stankaitis

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Dr. O'Neill called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Mr. Courneen and Mr. Erickson were welcomed to their first meeting as Board members.

***I. MINUTES***

The draft minutes of the June 19, 2007 meeting were reviewed. Dr. O'Neill made a motion, seconded by Dr. Manohar, to approve the minutes. The motion passed with all in favor except Mr. Courneen and Mr. Erickson who abstained.

***II. CHAIR UPDATES***

The following correspondence/information was received and reviewed:

1. Monthly tracking of pending cases.
2. Hearing assignments.
3. Department of Public Health Quarterly Investigation Report
4. Federation of State Medical Boards news and updates
5. Memorandum from Assistant Attorney General, Richard Lynch reporting that the license revocation appeal filed by Francisco Carbone, MD has been dismissed by the Court
6. The October and November Board meetings are tentatively scheduled to be held at the Legislative Office Building.

**III. INFORMATION UPDATES**

**A. Department of Public Health**

Jennifer Filippone, Section Chief, Office of Practitioner Licensing and Certification reported that the Department of Public Health is participating in a license portability project with the Federation of State Medical Boards.

The Department plans to make a presentation at an upcoming meeting regarding recent legislation, including the impaired practitioner program.

The Board requested an update from the Department concerning adverse event reporting.

**B. Connecticut State Medical Society**

None

**IV. LEGAL OFFICE BUSINESS**

**A. George J. Watstein, MD – Petition No. 2006-1018-001-178**

Stanley Peck, Section Chief, Department of Public Health Legal Office indicated that this matter will be postponed to a future Board meeting.

**B. O. Tina Rose, MD – Petition No. 2007-0611-001-108**

Stanley Peck, Section Chief, Department of Public Health Legal Office, presented a Consent Order in the matter of O. Tina Rose, MD. Dr. Rose was present with Attorney Mary Alice Moore Leonhardt.

Dr. Wolf made a motion, seconded by Dr. Goldenberg, to approve the Consent Order. The motion passed with all in favor except Ms. Loving who recused herself. Dr. O'Neill signed the Order.

**C. Vladimir Coric, MD – Petition No. 2006-0608-001-111**

Matthew Antonetti, Principal Attorney, Department of Public Health Legal Office, presented a Consent Order in the matter of Vladimir Coric, MD. Attorney Robert Kiley was present on behalf of Dr. Coric.

Dr. Wolf spoke as to his concern that this is the third matter involving Dr. Coric that has come before the Board.

Dr. Terranova commented that the lack information that is presented to the Board with a proposed Consent Order inhibits the Board's ability to make an informed decision when reviewing such Orders for approval.

Dr. O'Neill made a motion, seconded by Dr. Manohar, to approve the Consent Order. The motion passed with Mr. Erickson, Dr. Goldenberg, Ms. Loving, Dr. Manohar, Dr. O'Neill, and Ms. Wernick voting in favor. Ms. Doremus, Dr. Terranova and Dr. Wolf were opposed, and Mr. Courneen abstained. Dr. O'Neill signed the Order.

**V. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Proposed Memorandum of Decision**

**Bernard Raxlen, MD - Petition No. 2003-0416-001-089**

Heidi Cilano, Esq. was present on behalf of Dr. Raxlen. David Tilles, Staff Attorney, was present on behalf of the Department of Public Health.

Dr. Manohar made a motion, seconded by Mr. Erickson, to adopt the decision dismissing the Statement of Charges in this matter.

The motion passed unanimously. Dr. O'Neill signed the Order.

B. Assign Hearing Panels

- Deborah Caserta-Brunson, MD - Petition No. 2003-0416-001-089  
Dr. Hanks, Mr. Erickson and Joel Goodman, DMD will serve as hearing panelists in this matter. Dr. Hanks will chair the panel. A hearing is scheduled for November 20, 2007.
- Bernard Raxlen, MD - Petition No. 2003-1216-001-286  
Dr. Bridburg, Ms. Wernick and Peter Zeman, MD will serve as hearing panelists in this matter. Dr. Bridburg will chair the panel. The Board Liaison will coordinate the scheduling of hearing dates.
- Mejah Soong, MD – Petition No. 2006-0629-001-120  
Dr. Bridburg, Dr. Terranova and Ms. Doremus will serve as hearing panelists in this matter. Dr. Bridburg will chair the panel. A hearing is scheduled for September 18, 2007.

***VI. TIME EXTENSIONS***

Dr. O'Neill moved and Dr. Terranova seconded to approve a 120-day extension in the following case: The motion passed unanimously.

J. Yue, MD – Hearing completed. Decision is being drafted.

***VII. NEW BUSINESS - cont.***

Federation of State Medical Boards

Freda M. Bush, MD, Board of Directors, and Lisa A. Robin, Vice President, Government Relations, Policy and Education, were present from the Federation of State Medical Boards (FSMB). Prior to this meeting Dr. Bush and Ms. Robin met with staff from the Department of Public Health.

Dr. Bush and Ms. Robin provided an overview of the programs and services offered to the 70 Medical and Osteopathic Boards that are members of the FSMB. They also discussed FSMB initiatives as well as national issues concerning physician licensure, physician practice and health care. The Board expressed particular interest regarding license portability and legislation concerning Internet prescribing.

***VIII. ADJOURNMENT***

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dennis G. O'Neill, MD, Chairman